

BALLOON CUTS UP; DUCKS AERONAUTS

Final Collision With a Ferry Boat Ends Journey.

Eventful Trip of Two Men Through Atmosphere and Imminent Peril of Lives.

BOTH RESCUED FROM WATER.

New York, July 18.—Leo Stevens and Charles Levee, the aeronauts, took Jas. H. Hare, a photographer, for a balloon ride over New York this afternoon. At the start the balloon banged into a tree and, glancing off, shot up in the rear of a tenement house, tearing away numerous clothes lines. The balloon collided with the corner of a flat house and then scraped over the top of a tall factory chimney before it finally got clear and sailed through the air.

For a week past the trio had been camping out on Staten Island, waiting for a favorable wind. When a fresh breeze came out of the south this morning they climbed into the basket, the ropes were cast off and the balloon shot up in the air. When it went over the factory chimney so close was the balloon car to the chimney top that when Levee peeped over the edge of the basket his hair was slightly singed.

Some distance north of the Williamsburg bridge the wind carried the balloon toward Long Island. As it neared College Point the balloon began to act queerly again. It was but 600 feet above the ground. Balloon was thrown out and the balloon again rose.

When over Flushing bay, a short distance out from shore, Stevens decided to test his new anchor. This is a canvas bag, the mouth of which is extended by means of an iron hoop. Stevens' idea is that when this is lowered in the water and filled it will prevent a balloon from being carried out to sea.

The anchor worked all right, but the balloon did not behave well when held captive. The big bag did a series of plunging stunts that caused the basket to swoop down into the water half a dozen times. Stevens and Levee decided that it was time to throw out more ballast. They had very little left, and when the balloon refused to rise it was found necessary to cut overboard Mr. Hare's two cameras. They were about to hurl overboard the canvas sack of plates, but the photographer sat down on the bag and said that if the plates went he, too, would go as ballast. Meanwhile the three men were drenched to the skin. As the basket would plunge into the water the three would shut their eyes and hold on for dear life. Then, as the balloon would rise again, water would rush from the bottom of the car as if it were a sieve.

As the sloop yacht Adeline ran alongside the basket, which by this time was sunk in several feet of water the big gas bag swung hard against the mast, and it looked for a time as if the vessel would overturn. The mast, however, ripped a big hole in the bag, causing the gas to escape rapidly. The photographer and his plates were the first to be rescued, and then Stevens and Levee were lifted out to the deck of the sloop.

As the big balloon settled down into the water it got caught in the propeller of the sloop and more damage was done. The whole outfit was finally dragged aboard and taken ashore. Levee and Stevens say it will cost about \$500 to repair it.

TIMELY DISCOVERY.

Prevents Serious Fire at Residence of Tob Owens.

Fire doing damage to the extent of less than \$50, was discovered by a small boy passing the residence of Tob Owens at Tenth and Ohio streets last night. No. 4 company responded quickly and prevented the fire from spreading. It started in the hall. The family was away at the time.

WILL ELECT.

Central Labor Union to Choose New Officers.

Central Labor Union will meet tomorrow evening for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing six months and will also probably receive reports of the vote on the question of the union entering candidates in the municipal election.

Overheard in a Pullman.
"Oh, George, wouldn't it be lovely to make people think we are already married?"
"All right; when we get out you carry the bag and umbrellas?"
Translated from Tales from "Le Rire."

NEWS OF KENTUCKY

Peonage Story Found to Be False.

Beattyville, Ky., July 18.—Investigation has proved that there is absolutely nothing in the charge made by a negro here that a system of peonage has been in vogue at a rock quarry 15 miles below here. It has been found that the men there are all satisfied and receive their wages promptly.

Look Big Price to Obtain Help.

Hickman, Ky., July 18.—A barge loaded with 15 cars of wheat was landed at the incline to be unloaded into the cars on the incline. The crew of negroes abandoned the barge and refused to work. Mr. R. B. Johnson, agent for the St. L., N. & C. railway, together with the help of one of Neil Sheaffer's men, succeeded in securing a crew of local negroes and unloaded the wheat for the railroad company. But in order to obtain their help the negroes were paid by the sack, and those that worked earned the "coin of the realm."

Lead and Zinc Find.

Louisville, July 18.—A number of Louisville men owning mining property in Crittenden county, received word today from experts working on their mines that leads them to believe that they will become capitalists in a short time. In seeking fluor spar, a vein of ore rich in lead and zinc was unearthed and will be worked at once. The mines referred to are located at Crittenden Springs near the famous Eelpee mines that are among the richest lead and zinc mines in this part of the country. The lead was struck in paying quantities 30 feet below the surface. Here it assays 25 per cent. and is thought to be much richer farther down.

Hager's Maiden Speech.

Mt. Sterling, Ky., July 18.—Hon. S. W. Hager, auditor of the state, delivered an address opening his campaign for governor here before a good crowd. He was introduced by C. D. Grubbs in a well-timed speech.

James Nominated.

Bowling Green, Ky., July 18.—Dr. A. D. James, of Muhlenberg county, former United States marshal, was unanimously nominated for congress by the Third district Republican convention in this city.

Overcome By the Heat.

The Hon. William Jennings Price, candidate for congress in the Eighth Kentucky district, while speaking at Lawrenceburg, was overcome by the heat and fell into the arms of his opponent, Judge John W. Hughes.

Blue Grass Fair.

Having been unsuccessful in their efforts to secure the state fair, prominent citizens of Lexington will endeavor to raise money to hold a "Bluegrass Fair" this fall.

RECONSTRUCTION

Work Being Pushed By Paducah Light and Power Co.

The reconstruction of tracks on Jackson street from Ninth street to Thirteenth street has been finished and cars are being run over it today. This is new track put down and is a source of much gratification to residents. This line has for years been reputed to be the roughest in the city.

The traction company began today stringing new overhead trolley and guide wires on Broadway from Ninth street to Sixteenth street, which when completed will give the entire Broadway line from the river to the park a new trolley wire. Other improvement work is being pushed and the company anticipates no delays now that all material is on hand.

NO WILL

Left by the Late Edmund P. Noble, So Far as Known.

As far as is known the late E. P. Noble left no will. In speaking to his son-in-law, Mr. David Sanders, several months prior to his death, he remarked that he had never made a will. One has been searched for but has not been found. The county court will have to appoint an administrator who will proceed with the distribution of the estate according to the laws of the state.

FLUSH TANK.

Will Be Selected By Board of Public Works.

The board of public works will this afternoon meet and make a decision as to which street flushing machine will be recommended for purchasing. Yesterday afternoon the two machines were exhibited to members of the general council and the board of public works, and both did excellent work.

TOBACCO EXPORTS LARGE TO INDIA

Cigarettes Have Become Pop- ular Among Natives.

Cleanliness in Oyster Business De- manded and Open Buckets Soon to Be Discarded.

DEAD LETTER OFFICE REPORT.

Washington July 18.—It is somewhat a far cry from tobacco in Kentucky to tobacco in India, yet reports of the department of commerce and labor show that from an insignificant item the imports into the latter country of superior quality tobacco have grown until in the past year they were valued at more than \$1,500,000. It is only of late years that the advance of civilization has popularized the cigarette among the many millions of natives who live in towns and travel by railways—a popularity which is increasing. More than 840,000,000 cigarettes were imported in the last year, this item having grown in value in five years from \$100,000 to \$1,150,000. The East Indian is not particular as to the brand of "paper pipes" which he consumes, preferring in fact, as is shown by the demand, a cheap, low grade article. One is tempted to conclude, indeed, that highly perfumed and expensive oriental cigarettes are not popular among orientals but manufactured for sale to "foreign devils," notwithstanding the pictures painted by the popular novels of the day.

Inland Waterways.

The plan of the Panama canal having been definitely decided, it seems to be largely a question of whether congress, having taken one step in the bettering of transportation, will follow President Roosevelt's recommendation and take a still larger one by improving inland waterways, both for the achievement of lower internal freight rates and to enable those great producing states lying along the Ohio and Mississippi to profit by the construction of the canal in the struggle for commercial supremacy in the southern hemisphere. What an improved system of water transportation would mean to Kentucky is evidenced by the importance of her products, and the facilities lying at her door which only await development. With a difference in favor of water rates so large as to be almost incredible, the fact remains that at present it is not thoroughly recognized that unless the efforts of the national rivers and harbors congress for larger annual appropriations for the bringing about of cheap water freights are supported, Europe, and not this country, is almost certain to continue to monopolize South American trade and to fill with foreign vessels the big ditch dug by the United States. On the other hand, a system of water transportation, saving to the farmer and shipper many hundred per cent of his present freight, would forever assure to Kentucky and her neighboring state a market equal to the largest ambition.

Packing of Oysters.

Down on Chesapeake Bay, where mid-summer broods torridly over the oyster shucking plants, preparations are being made which betoken a change in the way the householder wants his oyster. A tremendous amount of energy in cleaning is accompanied by symptoms that the time-honored, uncovered oyster pail will no more, or not so often, be part of the familiar odds and ends on the floors of grocery and meat shops. One effect, perhaps, of the packing house report and the uprising in the name of cleanliness which followed it, is this sudden preparation to put the oyster into shining tin cans safe from dust or contamination; the cans to go into ice and stay there until opened in kitchens in New York, Illinois or Nebraska.

Employers and Employees.

"The liveliest and liveliest political issue in the country today is public ownership," says H. T. Newcomb, the Washington economist and statistician. "To a great extent, it is at present a local issue, taking form of a movement for city ownership of gas and electric plants and street cars, but it is bound to grow from this to a demand for national ownership and operation of all sorts of industrial enterprises. The propaganda for government intervention is being actively presented in all parts of the country as a remedy for all our business evils, real or alleged." Mr. Newcomb delivered an address before the American Association for the Advancement of Science a few days ago, taking up the question of municipal ownership from the point of view of the employee. His conclusions was that for the laboring man the government is a less desirable employer than the

individual or corporation. An examination of wage statistics made by Mr. Newcomb shows that in the past ten years the wages of privately employed labor advanced over 12 per cent, while there was no advance in the pay for public employment. Furthermore, the government has the power to compel service, and finds it necessary to exercise this power when it becomes an employer on a large scale—in other words, it interferes with the laborer's right to sell his labor wherever he will. This is a new phase of the question and one that is likely to attract considerable interest among employees in industries in which the agitation for municipal ownership is now going on.

Who Took Guiteau?

As an echo of the assassination of President Garfield, "first citizen," "aged resident" and the old employee in the United States marshal's office are now busily engaged in an argument as to the identity of the man who led Charles Guiteau, the assassin, to the gallows twenty-five years ago. The discussion arose from a statement that a man named Hannan, who recently died in Chicago, performed that gruesome office. But local historians assert, and seemingly with truth, that it was Denton Duss, who also died recently, who read the death warrant to Guiteau and accompanied him on his march to the gallows. Mr. Duss was at the time deputy warden of the jail under General Crocker. It is asserted by others that Capt. Joseph Tall, who had personal charge of Guiteau during the trial, accompanied him on his last march, the truth probably being that both Russ and Tall officiated.

Dead Letter Report.

According to the report of the dead letter office, just issued, there are exactly 854,352 persons waiting for letters that never came in the month of June, about one letter out of every 500 written having failed to reach its destination on account of insufficient address. Indeed, if you were looking for money through the mails which didn't turn up as expected, there is a bit of relief in the thought that Uncle Sam may have it. Of the total number of letters which went to the dead letter office, 6,736 contained money—less than a dollar apiece in the average. It is true but still totaling \$5,557.78—a snug little sum which might be doing some one a lot of good.

TRANSIENTS

GET NO LENIENCY FOR OFFERS TO LEAVE PADUCAH.

Ten and Costs for Bird of Passage En Route From Evansville to Memphis.

"Transients" who strike Paducah and get into police court will hereafter have to pay a fine or lay it out in the city jail if proven guilty of any charge preferred against them. This is the latest rule made by Police Judge E. H. Puryear and it came hot from the shoulder this morning when the judge fined Frank Carter, a "transient," \$10 and the costs.

Carter claims his residence as Memphis and that he has been in Evansville for some time. He reached Paducah Monday and on Tuesday he struck Will Holman, an employee of the basket factory in Mechanicsburg.

"Yer honor gimme hours to leave and out I go straight from here," Carter pleaded.

"No sir," Judge Puryear replied, "I will give no defendant hours to leave Paducah. This is a rule I make here and now and it is to be adhered to. I do not believe in it, and when defendants are brought before me charged with anything and proven guilty, I shall assess a fine, and it means pay or go to jail."

"Ten dollars and costs for you."

ELECTION IN LEPER COLONY.

Philippine Victims of Dread Disease Thank Government.

Washington, July 18.—Even leprosy cannot force Philipinos to abandon politics. The bureau of insular affairs has received reports of an election recently held on the Island of Culeon by the leper colony for the choice of a president and "counselors," or councilmen. The lepers took occasion at the time of this election to formulate resolutions thanking the Philippine government for the excellent quarters it has provided for them on the island, which is given over entirely to the unfortunate, and will eventually be made the home of all the 5,000 lepers in the archipelago. At present there are more than 600 of the unfortunates in the colony.

John W. Foster, former secretary of State, has been designated by the Chinese government as its representative at the approaching Hague conference.

AT THE KENTUCKY FOR NEXT SEASON

First Class Attractions Will Be Seen.

Over Sixty Shows Already Booked By Manager Roberts, Who Exercises Discrimination.

SOME OLD FAVORITES COMING.

Six weeks more will see the opening of The Kentucky for the 1906-7 season with "His Highness Bey" as the first attraction. During the summer the theater has been thoroughly renovated, the scenery painted and new sets added, and everything done to make the house attractive for the patrons, who will be favored with some of the best spectacles and dramas on the road during the coming winter.

Manager Thomas Roberts has been in close touch with the house all summer and is in his office now every day. He has already booked nearly sixty shows, and has exercised his usual discrimination, suiting everybody's taste in the variety he has chosen. Comic opera, spectacle, minstrels, tragedy, comedy, melodrama and Shakespeare are found in the list and many old favorites are to return.

Among the best he has secured might be mentioned: "Piff, Paff, Pouf," the music of which is known everywhere; Mildred Holland, in the "Lily and the Prince," the piece in which this clever actress scored so heavily here last year; "Forty-five Minutes From Broadway," George Cohan's latest with a record run in three cities; Harry Beresford, whose quaint characterizations has long since made him popular with Paducahans; he comes in a new production; Robert Edeson; Lula Glaser; "Ben Hur," the famous spectacle; Richard Mansfield; "Sleeping Beauty and the Beast," Walker Whitesides, the eminent tragedian and Shakespearean scholar; Louis James; "The Girl and the Bandit," in which Mable Hite will appear again; Al. H. Wilson and Mary Emerson, the little comedian of the "Will o' the Wisp."

Manager Roberts is booking attractions every day and by September 1 will have the season practically filled. During Christmas week Hal Reid's drama, "Human Hearts," will be presented, "King of Tramps" is the Labor Day performance.

The full list booked to date includes: "His Highness Bey," "A Soap Bubble," "Uncle Si Holler," "On the Bridge at Midnight," "King of Tramps," "Two Orphans," "To Die at Dawn," Lyman H. Howe, "The Girl and the Bandit," "Thoroughbred Tramp," "Happy Hooligan," "She Looks Good to Father," "In Old Kentucky," Al. H. Wilson, Mary Emerson, Gorman's Minstrels, Harry Beresford, "Political Boss," Gertrude Ewing company, Donnelly & Hatfield's minstrels, Robert Edeson, Black Patti, "Corner Grocery," Lula Glaser, Richard's & Pringle's minstrels, "Ben Hur," "Race for a Widow," Frank Dudley Stock company, "Simple Simon Simple," Hoyt Comedy company, "Her Own Way," "The Moonshiner's Daughter," Richard Mansfield, "Human Hearts," "We Are King," Paul Gilmore, "A Bunch of Keys," "The Umpire," "Isle of Spice," "Sleeping Beauty and the Beast," Walker Whitesides, "Missouri Girl," "Royal Chef," Louis James, Jeck Hoeffer Stock company, "Dainty Duchess," "Piff, Paff, Pouf," "Ragged Hero," Mildred Holland, "Forty-five Minutes From Broadway," "Girl of the Streets," VanDyke & Eaton company, Arthur Dunn, Jewell Kelley company, "Woman of Mystery," George Sidney, Kersand's minstrels.

Academy of Medicine.

Dr. Frank Boyd lectured on "Surgical Treatment of the Stomach" at the Academy of Medicine meeting last night at the Carnegie library. The percentage of attendance and the interest in these meetings is growing. Next week the subject will be "Anatomy and Physiology of the Intestines." Present last night were: Drs. J. G. Brooks, Frank Boyd, J. T. Reddick, C. H. Brothers, H. P. Sights, Delia Caldwell, E. R. Earle, H. G. Reynolds, L. E. Young, C. M. Sears and Lyne Smith.

Got Tip and Died.

Elkhart, Ind., July 18.—Larkin Pogue, aged twenty-one, a waiter at the Standard Hotel, was given a \$5 bill as a tip today at the dinner hour by Henry Cole, of Cripple Creek, who is reported to have won heavily at dice here Saturday night. Pogue took a look at the bill, then felt to the floor unconscious and died fifteen minutes later in his room. Coroner Dewey pronounced it a case of heart failure.

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AN APPEAL FOR JIM HOWARD'S FAMILY

Responding to an urgent appeal made by republicans and democrats alike, The Sun presents a plain statement of fact in regard to James B. Howard's stricken family.

James B. Howard is now confined in the penitentiary, where he will serve a life sentence, having been convicted of the murder of William Goebel, five years ago.

Mrs. James B. Howard and her three little children are the innocent victims of the predicament Mr. Howard finds himself placed in by process of law. For five years this heroic woman has labored unceasingly, and never without hope, to secure a vindication for her husband. Their little home has been swept into the legal maelstrom, and today they are dependent on charity for the clothes they wear, and even for the bread they eat.

This condition will not be permitted to remain as long as there are tender hearts in Old Kentucky. This loyal love has, by a devotion typical of Southern womanhood, touched the

finest instincts of the human race. Facing the darkest gloom, from day to day, she has presented to a devoted husband a smiling and unflinching optimism that has undoubtedly braced him for the heavy ordeal he has undergone.

These three children are winsome children—for both the father and mother are persons of education and refinement. They are denied a home, an opportunity to acquire knowledge, a right to a father's care and protection.

Is it not a worthy cause? Think as you may of the guilt or innocence of Jim Howard, here are helpless beings cast adrift on a world none too sympathetic, unless aroused to the cry of urgent want.

The Sun will acknowledge receipt of all money sent to it for "The Mrs. James B. Howard Fund."

A dime, a dollar a hundred dollars, or any amount, given in such a cause, will be "bread cast upon the waters," and such, the Great Father assures us "will come back an hundredfold."

Object of Lincoln Farm Association.

This is a patriotic association of the citizens of the United States, formed to develop the Lincoln birthplace farm at Hodgenville, Kentucky, into a permanent Lincoln National park—a park of patriotism. When finished the park will be the finest historical memorial in the country, and will stand forever as a source of pride to the state of Kentucky and the entire nation. In order that this park may be the work of the whole people, the funds to complete it are to be subscribed only in small sums, from 25 cents to \$25.—every subscriber becoming an honorary member, and his or her name to be entered in the permanent catalogue to be kept in "a place of honor at the park." An honorary certificate will be issued to every subscriber, and no further dues of any kind will ever be required or collected.

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AMERICAN GIRL IN CUBAN JAIL. Toy Telegraph Line on Isle of Pines Brings Prison Terms.

Havana, July 18.—In the common jail at Neuva Gerona, Isle of Pines, are Miss Millie Brown 19 years of age; L. C. Giltner, postmaster of the town of Columbia, and William Augustine, all Americans. The three, for their own instruction and amusement, had constructed a toy telegraph line 1,800 feet long, strung from Giltner's store to the residence of the other two. They were arrested, charged with the violation of an old military order prohibiting other than government telegraph lines,

tried by a newly appointed judge and sentenced jointly to pay a \$500 fine or to a joint term of imprisonment of 100 days. All refused to submit to the payment of the fine and were taken to jail to serve thirty-three days each. The jail has no accommodations for female prisoners.

"Judging from Miss Thumperton's treatment of the organ," sarcastically remarked the choirmaster, who objected to the new organist engaged by the rector, "you prefer to buy your music by the pound."

"Well," replied the rector, quietly, "it isn't always supplied by the choir."—Catholic Standard and Times.